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TAGS: BDIS, EAGR, ETRD, BL

SUBJ: APPLGATE/YOUNGQUIST CASE

REF: STATE 69896

1. DCM AND ECONOFF CALLED ON MININD/COM AND SUBSEC FOR INDUSTRYYY PEREIRA APRIL 9 TO CONVEY POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL. MININD/COM APPEARED TO UNDERSTAND POINTS THAT CONGRESS MIGHT MAKE SUGAR ACT PUNITIVE PROVISIONS AUTOMATIC AND DO SO DESPITE EXECUTIVE BRANCH'S DESIRES AND EFFORTS. NEITHER MININD/COM NOR HIS SUBSEC APPEARED TO BE DISMAYED OR INTIMIDATED. THEY HALF JOKINGLY SAID THEY UNDERSTOOD MORAN WISHED TO APPLY HICKENLOOPER AMENDMENT. DCM POINTED OUT THAT SUGAR ACT WAS CURRENT PROBLEM.

2. MININD/COM REPEATED EARLIER POSITION THAT APPLGATE/YOUNGQUIST WOULD HAVE TO SUBMIT FULL DOCUMENTATION AND PROPERTY VALUE AT TIME OF NATIONALIZATION WOULD HAVE TO BE ASSESSED. HE ALSO REPEATED THAT APPLGATE AND YOUNGQUIST HAD MADE VIRTUALLY NO IMPROVEMENTS BY TIME OF TAKEOVER. AT THIS POINT, SUBSEC MENTIONED HE HAD RECEIVED DCM'S LETTER WITH SOME DOCUMENT ENCLOSURES WHICH HE THEN BROUGHT IN FOR MINISTER'S EXAMINATION. MINISTER WAS VISIBLY IMPRESSED THAT SOME DOCUMENTATION ACTUALLY EXISTED. HE SAID WOULD BE NECESSARY SUBMIT FURTHER DOCUMENTATION, HOWEVER, SHOWING ALL TAXES PAID. SUBSEC NOTED DOCUMENTS ATTACHED

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DCM'S LETTER INDICATED TRANSFER TAXES PAID.

3. IN RESPONSE TO REPEATED QUESTION, MINISTER SAID THAT IF FURTHER DCOUMENTATION AVAILABLE, NEGOTIATING INSTRUCTIONS COULD BE SENT TO AMBASSADOR VALENCIA SO THAT AT LEAST PORTION OF NEGOTIATIONS MIGHT TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON.

4. SUBSEC PEREIRA AND LATER MINISTER SHOWED INCREASING INTEREST IN DETERMINING JUST WHAT LAND IS STILL HELD BY APPLGATE AND YOUNGQUIST IN SANTA CRUZ.

5. COMMENT: BELIEVE WE HAVE DONE ALL WE CAN FOR PRESENT. THESE OFFICIALS, IN OUR OPINION, WILL NOT BE STAMPEDED INTO FAST ACTION BUT CONTINUE TO APPEAR WILLING TO NEGOTIATE ON BASIS OF ADEQUATE DOCUMENTATION. IT IS DIFFICULT TO SAY WHETHER OR NOT THEY BELIEVE ADVERSE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION LIKELY. IT IS ALSO DIFFICULT TO SAY HOW MUCH DOCUMENTATION GOB STILL HAS ON THIS CASE. WE HAVE IMPRESSION MINISTER AND SUBSEC PREIRA GENUINELY UNFAMILIAR WITH CASE AND STILL MAY NOT KNOW WHAT THEIR ARCHIVES CONTAIN.
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